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FOR WILLIAM G. BOWDLER

FOLLOWING REPEATS SANTO DOMINGO 4844 ACTION DEPT INFO
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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTO DOMINGO 4844

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, DR

SUBJECT: OAS SEC GEN CANDIDACY FONSEC GOMEZ BERGES

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH FONSEC GOMEZ BERGES REPORTED ELSEWHERE, HE INFORMED ME THAT DURING QUITO MEETING HE HAD OBTAINED PLEDGES OF SUPPORT FOR HIS OAS SEC GEN CANDIDACY FROM THE FONMINS OF VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA AND PANAMA WHICH TOGETHER WITH THE COMMITMENTS IN WRITING FROM SEVEN NATIONS (HAITI, TRINIDAD, JAMAICA, BARBADOS, HONDURAS, MEXICO AND COSTA RICA) COMBINED WITH THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VOTE GAVE HIM A TOTAL OF ELEVEN VOTES.

2. HE ALSO SAID THAT DURING HIS INTERVIEW WITH THE PRESIDENT OF ECUADOR HE HAD SOLICITED ECUADOR'S SUPPORT. HE WAS INFORMED, HE REPORTED, THAT ECUADOR WAS COMMITTED TO SUPPORT PERU'S CANDIDATE BUT THAT THE PRESIDENT DID NOT THINK PERU WOULD LAUNCH A CANDIDATE. IN THE LATTER CASE, ECUADOR WOULD SUPPORT GOMEZ, HE SAID.

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3. GOMEZ ALSO INFORMED ME THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD BY THE BRAZILIAN
FONMIN THAT AN AGREEMENT EXISTED AMONG MEXICO, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA
AND THE UNITED STATES NOT TO PROPOSE CANDIDATES OF THEIR
OWN.

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